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again. It is the most persistent issue in American politics. The tariff is a militant measure. It is national defense in commercial warfare. It grew in this country out of conditions arising from wars here and abroad. It started with the beginning of the United States.

The tariff will be the issue in 1916 in the United States unless the Democrats are forthcoming enough to make some provision in Congress this winter to pay for "preparedness" and to prepare for the tremendous changes in world trade when Europe drops the sword and again picks up the hammer.

A Coalition Congress.

Two hundred and twenty-nine Democrats, 100 Republicans, six Progressives, one Independent, one Socialist, with one seat yet to fill—that is the count of the next House of Representatives as revised to embrace the returns of the recent five by-elections. The Republican line held firm, while one Democratic intrenchment was carried by assault.

It is an interesting census. The Democrats have a plurality over the Republicans of thirty-three, a majority over all of twenty-five. Only three of four times in forty years has Congress had a "working majority" as narrow as this; never, perhaps, one so unstable. For the two hundred and twenty-nine Democrats are not of the same stripe. There is a particularly sharp line as between administration and anti, or lukewarm, administration Democrats.

Note the sixteen congressmen distinguished by the Tammany stripe. Will they "stand by the president" in any and all circumstances? In the present state of affairs they might almost be classed as a third party. If it pleases them to stand out, they can seize the balance of power. Barely has a parliamentary line-up revealed such possibilities of influence on the part of a group that by count would seem negligible.

A Warning from Britain.

Those American statesmen who profess to believe that there is no danger of the dumping of cheap products in this country after the close of the European war would do well to ponder upon a word of warning which has been uttered by the London Morning Post to the people of Great Britain. At a time when the discussion of domestic problems is discouraged by the government, the Post feels impelled to say:

"Military victory is still far away; but even military victory will not save this nation if it is won by others and not by ourselves and if it is accompanied by commercial defeat. We understand that those German industries which rely on the export trade are at the present time producing, not so much for export, as for dumping after the war. The state is at present subsidizing these German industries for the express purpose of accumulating reserves which will be used for deluging our markets with cheap goods when the war is over. How are we going to meet this menace?"

"This country must have a national protective tariff if it is to survive the fierce commercial conflict which is sure to follow this war. We may be told that even to mention this subject is what is called a 'breach of the party truce.' If it has come to this, that the party truce is to prevent this country from adopting in time a policy necessary to its salvation, then the party truce would be rather a source of peril than of safety. But we prefer to believe that this war has raised the question of imperial unity and trade protection of the realm of party politics and placed it among the questions of national urgency, which are to be settled without reference to party."

What the Elections Indicate.

Leslie's says:

That the Progressive party has dissolved into its original elements—mostly Republicans.

That President Wilson's popularity is confined to the members of his own party.

That, in the language of Congress-

WEST VIRGINIA BRIEFS

WHEELING: When Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Counihan went to the room of their son, Joseph R. Counihan, Jr., they found him dead in bed. He died sometime in the night of heart disease.

MORGANTOWN: The state board of control and the athletic committee of West Virginia University have decided to erect at once a building 72 by 50 feet to accommodate 1,000 persons, in which basketball games may be played.

HUNTINGTON: Rano Sprousa, 17, was seriously injured when a bicycle he was riding crashed into an auto delivery truck in Eighth street. He was taken to the Huntington hospital.

WHEELING: Warfield Evans, now in jail, is said to be one of the nerviest thieves ever captured here. While passing the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Brandon, it is alleged, he became hungry, jumped the fence, caught a chicken, wrung its neck, went into the kitchen, cooked and ate it. Mrs. Brandon returned home, but he ran her away. She called an officer and had him taken to jail.

HUNTINGTON: Mary Meddings, aged 16, has been arrested by R. P. Connor, of Charleston, a postoffice inspector, charged with sending obscene matter through the mail. She

MINERS LOOK OUT

When you first notice a cough—even that little tickling in the throat, which some think is a "mere cold," it may mean serious trouble for you, because the dust of the mines often brings bronchitis, pneumonia or consumption—even to men stronger than you.

What you need—and need at once—is a bottle of Scott's Emulsion to check the cough and help the linings of the bronchial passages to prevent sickness and loss of "time."

In Scott's Emulsion you get pure cod liver oil blended with glycerine and hypophosphites which quickly improves your blood, fortifies your lungs and builds up your strength. It is free from alcohol. Physicians prescribe it every day. Beware of substitutes. Scott & Borne, Bloomfield, N. J.

man Longworth. "Protection and preparedness will be the two great issues upon which the Republican party will rest its cause with the people in 1916."

That woman suffrage in the eastern states is beaten but not disheartened. That attacks on the railroads and on big business by Governor Walsh, of Massachusetts, neither pleased nor fooled the people of his state.

That Maryland and Kentucky will be fighting ground for both parties next year.

That the disgraceful misgovernment of American cities is arousing taxpayers to demand efficiency and economy in public administration.

That prohibition is having its hardest fight in the big cities and increasing its strength in the rural sections.

That the next Congress will be more inclined to constructive than to destructive legislation.

That the South is still solid for Democracy.

That New York state will be doubtful in 1916 unless the Republican state ticket from top to bottom is made of the strongest men the party can name.

That in his own state of New Jersey President Wilson is not stronger than his party—nor in any other state.

That the second-term plank of the Democratic national platform may still mean what it says.

That many voters of German descent intend to vote as they talk.

That the people are sick of "freelishness" in legislation and the "Mexicanizing of American institutions," as the San Francisco Chronicle aptly says in commenting on the sweeping defeat of Governor Johnson.

That the thinking people rule—when they want to!

WHAT OTHER EDITORS SAY

ABSENT.

I ain't no bloomin' actor:
I never play in Shakespeare,
Because it's too darn hard.

Ichabod Skeets looked worried.
There was a reason.
Ichabod Skeets was worried.

With the warm December sunshine shining through the rent in his 1901 model derby hat, he approached the bench on which sat Pilades Sponges.

"Excuse me, stranger," said Ichabod, "but do you happen to have change for a ten-dollar note?"

A fan-tailed picky-bird chirped in an overhanging tree, while Pilades Sponges, the warm December sunshine streaming down his collarless neck, blushed in embarrassment.

"No, pard," he said at length. "No, pard, I ain't."

The worried look on the face of Ichabod Skeets instantly broke into a relieved smile.

"That makes it all right, then," he said, "because I don't happen to have the ten."

And he walked off whistling into the warm December sunshine.

WHEELING: Fire of unknown origin destroyed the manufacturing department of the Juergens Baking Company plant here, entailing a loss of \$50,000. The damage is covered by insurance. Louis Storck the local manager, stated tonight that the plant will be rebuilt, probably on a new site.

CHARLESTON: Reforming the proceeding from one in equity to one in ejectment, the plaintiffs in the case in United States court for the Southern district of West Virginia, of S. W. Colton, Jr., Herbert L. Clark and Clarence Sell, trustees, against Robert Hager and others, will seek to clear the title to 125 acres of land on the boundary of a 200,000 acre tract in West Virginia.

FAIRMONT: A campaign against kissing is being conducted in the public schools here by the county board of health in efforts to prevent the spread of tuberculosis. "Mouth-to-mouth kissing is becoming a thing of the past," declares Dr. L. N. Yost, of the board.

HUNTINGTON: Huntington's two largest transfer and storage companies have merged, namely, the Independent Transfer and Storage Company and the Huntington Transfer and Storage Company, which recently took over the Union Transfer Company. The new company will be known as the Huntington Transfer and Storage Company, and its capital has been increased to \$25,000.

CHARLESTON: Governor H. D. Hatfield has received an unusual letter from Mrs. J. T. Haynes, of Matoka, Mercer county. Mrs. Haynes

THE WATTS - LAMBERD CO.

We will discontinue giving "S. & H." Green Trading Stamps after Jan. 25.

The People! The People! With Their Bright and Smiling Faces Are Making This a Wonderful Xmas Store

Special for Tonight at 7 O'clock

Royal Bonn China

Vases, \$1.00

Value \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50 to \$6.00

Handsome decorated China Vases, beautiful shapes and decorations. In this assortment are the greatest values we have ever offered—or heard tell of at the price, \$1.00. Every vase is perfect. They come to us from one of the largest importers of fine China in America. Wish to call your attention to the size of these magnificent vases. Majority of this assortment are \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$6.00 Royal Bonn China Vases. Come early. Sale starts promptly at 7 o'clock tonight. See window display.

SPECIAL FOR TONIGHT AT 7 O'CLOCK

RENAISSANCE DRESSER

SCARFS, 49c

Everyone New—See Window

Beautiful Renaissance Dresser Scarfs in an entirely new design. Ends are pointed, wide Renaissance insertions diagonally across the scarf dividing the small fabric squares. Attractive holiday gift special at 49c.

Finest New Cut Glass In The Christmas Sale at \$2.98



Hundreds of handsome pieces from which to select acceptable gifts for young ladies as well as the housewife. A piece of Cut Glass upon the buffet, dining table, in the china closet, on the mantle or dressing table will make harmony that will be irresistible in its appeal. Every piece perfect in the assortment—values up to \$5.00, \$6.00, \$8.00 and \$10.00.

Nothing More Acceptable For Gifts Than These Luxurious Furs

FURS—BEAUTIFUL, FURS SENSIBLE.

Choose from a beautiful collection of new Furs that we have brought to meet the requirements of our Christmas business. Pick from the new shapes in all the popular and wanted furs, muffs, scarfs or gas. A very large assortment at popular prices as well as the medium and extra high grades, but each and every piece bears the name and sold with our confidence of quality—the best to be had at the price. Give Furs—nothing more acceptable for gifts.

Practical Gifts for the Home. Carpets, Rugs, Linoleums, Curtains, Portieres, Couch Covers and Drapery by the yard. Remember this is Clarksburg's Greatest Carpet and Rug Store.

COAL MEN ENJOY ANNUAL BANQUET

Second Annual Social Gathering of Hutchinson Coal Co. Officers is Held.

WHEELING: When the jury hearing the murder case of Dr. Felix New, colored physician, charged with the murder of Sule Boszsky, a white girl, was given the case, counsel for the accused negro counseled them not allow "The Birth of a Nation," showing in Wheeling, to affect their decision. The jury was unable to agree on a verdict and the accused was released on \$5,000 bail.

HUNTINGTON: C. W. Beckett, 34, is in a hospital in a critical condition from wounds on the head received when assaulted and warrants have been issued against William, Edward and Willard Coats charging them with attempted murder.

CHARLESTON: Detectives with bloodhounds have been called to Black Bay, where J. G. Marshall, watchman on a boat owned by the Black Bay Coal Company, was found dead. His head had been crushed with a club. "Thomas Woodrum, manager of the company's works, engaged a special train on which he took officers from Charleston to the place of the murder.

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CHARLESTON: The public service commission has denied the petition of the Benwood-McMechan Consolidated Water Company for permission to increase its rates, holding that sufficient time has not been allowed to prove that the new rates allowed by the commission in the former hearing were not sufficient.

CHARLESTON: While the vacation will be a short one, the supreme court of appeals has practically finished its work for 1915 and the majority of the members have left Charleston to spend the holidays at their former homes. The next term will be convened January 12.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS

Traction Company express cars leave Clarksburg for Mt. Clare, Weston, Shinnston, Fairmont, Fairview, Farmington, Mannington and intermediate points daily except Sunday. Shipments for Mannington and intermediate points must be in station not later than 9:00 a. m. Fairview and intermediate points not later than 11:00 a. m. Weston and intermediate points, not later than 12:00 M. Quick service, reasonable rates, and care in handling make this an ideal line for shippers.

MONONGAHELA VALLEY TRACTION COMPANY.

ter, of Fairmont; C. L. Sutton, of Mt. Clare; P. F. Cogar, of Erie; A. V. Morgan, of Dela; James Cummings, of Reynoldsville; R. A. Johnson, of Fairmont; J. E. Thompson, of Reynoldsville; J. E. Carr, of Dela; J. H. McGee, of Meadowbrook; Guy Hochentrick, of Mt. Clare; E. W. Drummond, mine foreman, McCandlish mine; H. C. Callen, of Erie, mine clerk; J. Frank Haller, McCandlish store clerk; Samuel Kramer, mine clerk, McCandlish mine, and O. V. Vanscoy, of Mt. Clare, mine foreman.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the stockholders of the Point Comfort Oil and Gas Company, a corporation created and organized under the laws of the State of West Virginia, held at Clarksburg, West Virginia, on the 15th day of November, 1915, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Point Comfort Oil and Gas Company, a corporation created and organized under the laws of the State of West Virginia, does hereby discontinue business as a corporation and surrender to said state its charter and corporate franchises.

Given under my hand this 22nd day of December, 1915.

JAMES M. WHITE, President.

Attent: H. L. CUNNINGHAM, Secretary.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

West Virginia Oil and Gas Rights, New York and Texas Real Estate.

By virtue of authority vested in me by law and the order of the United States District Court, N. D. W. Va., in Bankruptcy, in the matter of Audie O. Kelly, Bankrupt, of Wallace, W. Va., which order is dated August 6th, 1915, I, the undersigned Trustee for said Bankrupt, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, subject to confirmation by said court, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15th, 1916, at 1:30 P. M., At the front door of the Court House of Harrison County, at Clarksburg, West Virginia, said District, all right, title and interest of said Bankrupt, and of said Trustee, in and to the following:

1. Three lots on Long Island, New York, being lots Nos. 13, 14, 15, in Block 45, Section C, Division C-6.

CITY WATER TODAY

Following is today's test for fever and other germs as made by the Water Board's chemist and bacteriologist at the filtration plant.

Also rainfall for twenty-four hours ending at 10 o'clock today:

ANALYSIS.

Number of bacteria in 1.0 c.c. Bacillus coli present in

River water 2000 0.1 c.c. 1.0 c.c. 10 c.c.

City water 0 0 0

EXPLANATION.

C. C.—Coliform centimeter, (about a thumbful). Bacillus coli—Intestinal germ. X—Present. O—Absent. Rainfall.

START A SAVINGS ACCOUNT WITH THIS BANK AND WATCH IT GROW

MANY GOOD THINGS ARE SAID ABOUT OUR METHODS OF CONDUCTING THIS BANK. ALL WHO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF OUR SERVICES ARE WELL PLEASED AND THEY WILL TELL YOU SO. THIS IS EXCLUSIVELY A SAVINGS BANK—A BANK FOR THE MASSES—WE WELCOME THE SMALL ACCOUNTS AS GLADLY AS THE LARGER ONES.

R. T. LOWNDES, President.

THE LOWNDES SAVINGS BANK AND TRUST CO.

GEORGE L. DUNCAN, Sec. and Treas.

All Accounts at This Bank Draw Interest at The Rate of 4 Per Cent.

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